

it on this bill recognize that fully. We are going to find we are going to allow for three legislative sessions in which to find those revenues. What we have here is a just and equitable form of taxation. It is the first exemption that would be beneficial to all Nebraska taxpayers. We have exempted and we have exempted, but the only people it benefited are those special interest groups that feel that the tax burden on them has been horrendous. The average taxpayer in Nebraska realizes that the tax burden on them is horrendous. Their property taxes have increased substantially. Their sales and income taxes continue to be a great burden. In Omaha it is one and a half percent above that which there is no credit even proposed for, and Lincoln it is one percent, Bellevue and Grand Island, or excuse me, North Platte. I don't want to put any taxes on Grand Island they don't already have. The situation is this that if we are going to be fair and just and if we are going to find a progressive tax system, something that we often talk about but never do anything about, this LB 16 is the answer. It is the way in which we can provide that general benefit to the population of the State of Nebraska. With that I urge you to accept this, to advance this to Select File. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: All right, the motion is the advancement of LB 16 to E & R Initial. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Senator Newell, are there six absent? Is that it? Six absent, so...

SENATOR NEWELL: Yes, I have noticed that all day long and it has been very troublesome to me. I would like to have a Call of the House. I would like to have people at least recorded on this issue. I don't expect to take a whole long time bringing them in but I would like to have them invited.

PRESIDENT: All right, do you want to record what is on the board? All those in favor of a Call of the House vote aye, opposed nay. Record the vote.

CLERK: 21 ayes, 0 nays to go under Call, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: The motion carries. The House is under Call. All legislators will return to their desks. All nonlegislative personnel will leave the floor and all legislators will register their presence at this time. Senator Newell, then do you want...after we have everyone here then do you want to...what do you want, have call-in votes or do you want a roll call vote?

SENATOR NEWELL: Maybe a roll call. I would like to have people on record if that is...